

Von Roll Isola USA, Incorporated

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Other (Former) Names of Site

General Electric - Riverview, Insulating Materials Incorporated

Site Description

The Riverview facility is a 52-acre manufacturing facility located on West Campbell Road in the Town of Rotterdam, New York. The facility is owned and operated by Von Roll Isola USA Inc., and produces solid and liquid insulating materials and tapes for the electrical industry. The General Electric Company (GE) purchased the property in 1942. From 1942 to 1959, GE used the site as a radar development facility.

The site was used for radar development until approximately 1960 when the Insulating Materials group was moved from the General Electric (GE) Main Plant site to Riverview. In March 1988, GE sold the plant to Insulating Materials Incorporated (IMI). IMI produced electrical insulation products similar to that of the previous GE operation. The facility was sold to Von Roll Isola, Inc. in 1995.

Permit Status

A New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Part 373 Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) permit was issued to the facility on September 28, 1993 and regulated the hazardous waste container storage area.

Site Responsibility and Legal Instrument

Von Roll Isola and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation entered into an Order on Consent for a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study on June 6, 2001.

Potential Threats and Contaminants

The site contains numerous solid waste management units and former hazardous waste storage and disposal areas. The facility converted to a less than 90-day storage facility in 1994. Numerous spills have occurred at the plant and in conjunction with plant operations,

have resulted in several areas of soil and groundwater contamination. Some areas have been closed under the RCRA corrective action program, others remain to be fully investigated and remediated under the New York State Inactive Hazardous Waste Remediation program. Historical sampling of groundwater, soils, and seep outbreaks at the site have indicated the presence of organic solvents, metals, petroleum products and traces of polychlorinated biphenyls in groundwater beneath the site.

Cleanup Approach and Progress

The technical work plan for a RCRA Investigation/Feasibility Study at the site was approved by New York State Department of Environmental Conservation on May 7, 2001. The scope of work for this investigation was intended to address inactive hazardous waste disposal concerns, as well as resolve outstanding Resource Conservation and Recovery Act issues. Field work began in September 2001 and included monitoring well and soil boring installation, and soil and groundwater sampling. Results of this initial investigation revealed that additional investigations are warranted to delineate soil contamination at depth. This second phase of the investigation is anticipated to begin in 2004.

Site Repository

Copies of supporting technical documents and correspondence cited in this site fact sheet are available for public review at:

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